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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Confirmation No.: 2502

S. SAMAL et al.

Art Unit: 1648

Application No.: 09/926,431

Examiner: Sharon L. Hurt

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For: PRODUCTION OF NOVEL NEWCASTLE DISEASE VIRUS STRAINS FROM
cDNAs AND IMPROVED LIVE ATTENUATED NEWCASTLE DISEASE
VACCINES

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 1.111

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

June 1, 2006

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated December 1, 2005, in connection with the above-identified application. The period for response is extended three (3) months, from March 1, 2006 to June 1, 2006, by the attached Petition for Extension of Time. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections in view of the following amendments and remarks.

- I. **Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.
- II. The **Remarks** begin on page 8.
- III. The conclusion begins on page 18.